



Recreation Fee Program 2004

# Forest Accomplishments

## Gifford Pinchot National Forest

Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region

### *Recreation Fees Make a Difference -- 175 miles of trails maintained*



*Coldwater Visitor Center  
March 2005*

As a Forest visitor, you are an important partner in helping provide services that are valuable to you and other visitors. Please drop us a line at [www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/](http://www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/) or give us a call at 360-891-5000.

Last year your recreation fee dollars helped pay for more than \$ 1.5 million worth of services and improvements on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest including:

- Operation of two visitor centers
- Maintenance on 175 miles of trail
- Climbing services on Mt. Adams and Mount St. Helens
- Replacement of information signs, picnic tables
- Visitor information services
- Maintenance at Forest campgrounds



*Interpretive staff provided first hand learning to more than 12,000 students*

### The Fees:

Project Name	Revenue Collected 2004	Expenditures 2004
Northwest Forest Pass	\$ 274,607	\$ 468,908
Camping	\$ 41,577	\$ 28,840
Mount St. Helens NVM	\$ 517,120	\$ 786,238
Golden Passes	\$ 85,254	\$ 78,977
Cabin Rental	\$ 22,780	\$ 5,076
Cascade Volcano Climbing	\$ 154,359	\$ 204,543

### More Detailed Information

#### Forest Website:

[www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/](http://www.fs.fed.us/gpnf/)

Pacific Northwest Region

[www.fs.fed.us/r6/](http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/)

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**Your Fees At Work:**  
Maintenance of Forest Road  
8040500, which leads to the  
South Climb Trailhead for  
Mt. Adams

# The Accomplishments:

The following is a sample of where your fee dollars were spent last year on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest.



## Northwest Forest Pass:

Operated and maintained 61 recreation sites (trailheads, rustic campgrounds, picnic areas) and 175 miles of trails; cleaned restrooms on regular basis and pumped vaults as necessary; painted benches at the Windy Ridge amphitheater; provided 6 guided lantern walks daily at Ape Cave during the summer season – 7,140 people attended; conducted 6 interpretive programs daily at Windy Ridge during the summer season – 11,670 people attended; replaced broken boards on boardwalk at Trail of Two Forest Interpretive Site.



**Mount St. Helens NVM and Golden Passports:** Provided funding for over half of the operation and maintenance of Coldwater and Johnston Ridge Visitor Centers; conducted interpretive programs for more than 118,000 visitors; hosted 12,837 students and teachers (154 schools) at Coldwater Ridge Visitor Center and Johnston Ridge Observatory; developed several new temporary displays interpreting recent volcanic activity; developed and posted several new lesson plans for educators on the Teachers Corner section of the Mount St. Helens web site; cleaned and maintained all visitor center facilities on a daily basis; repaired theater projectors at the Johnston Ridge Observatory.



**Camping:** Operated and maintained 11 Forest campgrounds from May through September; decommissioned deteriorated host residence at Sunset Falls campground and converted site to a RV site for future campground host; pumped toilets at Lower Falls, Canyon Creek, Tillicum, Sunset Falls, and Kalama campgrounds; maintained picnic tables, information kiosk, and traffic signs at several campgrounds.



**Cabin Rental:** Operated and maintained for overnight rental Government Mineral Springs Guard Station and Peterson Prairie Guard Station; both rentals were put into National Recreation Reservation System; both guard stations were rented year-round; each rental was cleaned/maintained after every visit, ensuring each arriving guest with a clean facility; firewood was cut/split and provided free of charge for use at the rentals.



*Government Mineral Springs Guard Station*



**Cascade Volcano Climb:** Pass provided climbing services on Mt. Adams and Mount St. Helens including climbing rangers for interpretation, information, and facilitation of search and rescues; repaired toilets at Mount St. Helens trailheads; weekly climbing report on the Forest website; continued human waste pack-out system to reduce fecal accumulation in alpine areas; maintained 15.8 miles of trail and 8.4 miles of trail at Mt. Adams; provided Climbing Rangers on primary routes 5 days per week in summer, 2 days per week in spring at Mount St. Helens and 7 days a week during the summer season at Mt. Adams.